

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Masamichi Saito et al.	)	
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Application No. 10/823,474	)	Examiner: C. Renner
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Filing Date: April 13, 2004	)	
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For: Self-Pinned CPP Giant Magnetoresistive	)	
Head With AntiFerromagnetic Film Absent	)	Art Unit: 2627
From Current Path	)	
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**TERMINAL DISCLAIMER UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.321(a)**

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Sir or Madam:

In response to an Office Action dated December 12, 2007, applicants, through their attorneys, submit the subject Terminal Disclaimer Under 37 C.F.R. §1.321(a). Applicants note the Examiner's statement that a timely filed terminal disclaimer may overcome an actual or provisional rejection based on a non-statutory double patenting ground provided the conflicting application or patent is shown to be commonly owned with this application. The undersigned attorney submits on behalf of assignee, Alps Electric Corporation Co., Ltd. of Japan, a terminal disclaimer showing common ownership of the subject patent application and U.S. Patent No. 7,220,499 and pending application Serial No. 10/823,473, now U.S. Patent No. 7,327,539.

On behalf of assignee, the undersigned attorney represents that assignee owns the entire right, title and interest in the subject matter disclosed in the above-identified patent application. The

undersigned attorney also represents that assignee owns the entire right, title and interest in the subject matter disclosed in U.S. Patent Nos. 7,220,499 and 7,327,539.

Assignee hereby disclaims the terminal part of any patent granted on the above-identified patent application which would extend beyond the expiration date of any patent granted on commonly owned U.S. Patent Nos. 7,220,499 and 7,327,539.

Assignee acknowledges that any patent granted on the subject application shall be enforceable only for and during such period that said patent application is commonly owned with any patents granted on commonly-owned U.S. Patent Nos. 7,220,499 and 7,327,539.

Assignee does not disclaim any terminal part of any patent granted on the above-identified patent application prior to the expiration date of the full statutory term of any patent granted on U.S. Patent Nos. 7,220,499 and 7,327,539 in the event that either later expires for failure to pay a maintenance fee, is held unenforceable, is found invalid, is statutorily disclaimed in whole or terminally declaimed under 37 CFR §1.321(a), has all claims cancelled by reexamination certificate, or is otherwise terminated prior to expiration of its statutory term except for the separation of legal title stated above.

Assignee acknowledges that any patent granted on subject patent application serial No. 10/823,474 or any patent subject to reexamination proceedings shall be enforceable only for and during such period that said patent is commonly owned with U.S. Patent Nos. 7,220,499 and 7,327,539, which formed the basis for the rejection.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the required fee or to credit any overpayment to the Deposit Account listed on the transmittal letter accompanying this filing.

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